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SUBJ: MBFR: INFORMAL SESSION WITH EASTERN REPRESENTATIVES
OF MARCH 15, 1978

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: IN THE MARCH 15 INFORMAL SESSION OF THE VIENNA TALKS, THE ALLIES WERE REPRESENTED BY THE NETHERLANDS, UK AND US REPS, AND THE EAST BY SOVIET REPS TARASOV AND SHUSTOV, CZECH-OSLOVAK REP KEBLUSEK AND GDR REP OESER. MILITARY ADVISORS WERE ALSO PRESENT.

2. WEST AND EAST MADE GENERAL STATEMENTS. IN THE COURSE OF HIS GENERAL STATEMENT, THE CZECHOSLOVAK REP SAID INTER ALIA THAT THE PRODUCTION AND DEPLOYMENT OF NEUTRON WEAPONS WOULD IMPEDE THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AGREEMENT IN THE VIENNA NEGOTIATIONS. EAST AND WEST THEN EXCHANGED ORAL STATEMENTS PREPARATORY TO THE EXCHANGE OF DATA AND PROCEEDED TO EXCHANGE GROUND FORCE DATA. THE WEST ASKED FOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW EAST HAD ALLOCATED ITS GROUND FORCE

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PERSONNEL AS BETWEEN MAJOR FORMATIONS AND OTHERS WHICH THE EAST SAID IT WOULD ANSWER SUBSEQUENTLY.

3. EASTERN DATA WAS AS FOLLOWS:
A. GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL IN MAJOR FORMATIONS:

USSR 344,600

GDR	74,100
POLAND	115,000
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	104,700

B. GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL OTHER THAN IN MAJOR FORMATIONS:

USSR	81,700
GDR	18,900
POLAND	33,600
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	32,400

4. THE SESSION WILL BE CONTINUED ON MARCH 16. END SUMMARY
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